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Subject: GENERAL MANUAL, 180-CPA, AMENDMENT OR9 (Part 409)

CPA - National Planning Procedures Handbook - Oregon Amendment 4

<u>Purpose</u>: Transmits National Planning Procedures Handbook Oregon Exhibit 4.

Effective Date: Upon Receipt.

Explanation of Changes: This revision provides **Oregon Exhibit 4 – Conservation Practice Planning Tool** for planners to use when developing alternatives for clients. Planners can use the tool, which queries the Conservation Practice Physical Effects (CPPE) matrix to find practices having a positive impact on identified resource concerns, to create a Site Specific Practice Effect Worksheet and a Resource Management System Options Worksheet to document the synergistic effects of applying practices as a system.

<u>Filing Instructions</u>: File Oregon Exhibit 4 in the Exhibits section of the NPPH behind Oregon Exhibit 3. Copies of all Oregon Exhibits to the NPPH are available on the Oregon NRCS home page FTP site under the NPPH\_Plan\_ Policy folder, and under the Conservation Planning web page accessed by clicking on the Technology tab of the Oregon NRCS home page.

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## Oregon Exhibit 4 – Conservation Practice Recommendation Planning Tool

Oregon has automated the creation of the Site Specific Practice Effects Worksheet (SPPEW) and the RMS Options Worksheet (RMSOW). Using the **Conservation Practice Recommendation Planning Tool** (RMSPlanningToolHGxxxxxxx.xls) the user enters the identified resource concerns. The tool queries the CPPE to identify practices to be considered in producing alternative systems and the effects of the practices on the identified concerns plus any potential negative effects on other resources. The tool will generate a SSPEW and RMSOW for a given RMS alternative based on the selections made. The latest version of this Conservation Practice Recommendation Planning Tool and the instructions can be downloaded from the following site:

